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Saud arrived Baghdad at 11 Saturday morning. Greeted at airfield by Faisal, Nuri and Abdul Iliah with full military honors. Since then he has been absorbed in round of ceremonials, dinners, etc. Heads of Mission introduced to him Saturday afternoon and I saw him for a few moments. He said he would be happy have longer chat and I will try see him again privately.

Press reports "economic talks aimed at strengthening economy and trade relations between Iraq and Saudi Arabia." Embassy believes this may allude to possible exchange of information on common petroleum problems.

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